



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

VAN TASSEL, et al.

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DEPOSITION**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15230

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for a total period of three months, through and including February 5, 2004, to respond to the Office Action mailed on August 5, 2003. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

☒ The Office Action for which this extension is requested

☒ is filed herewith.

☐ has been filed.

☐ The response is the filing of a continuing application on the same date hereof, and the abandonment of this application is expressly conditioned on the granting of a filing date for the continuing application.

Applicant is

☒ a small entity - verified statement

☐ is attached.

☒ has been filed.

☐ other than a small entity.

The extension fee required under 37 C.F.R. §
1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5) is calculated below:

	<u>LARGE ENTITY</u>	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110	\$ 55
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 420	\$ 210
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 950	\$ 475
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,480	\$ 740
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$2,010	\$1,005
Fee:	\$ [amount]	\$475.00

☒ Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$475.00 to
cover the extension of time fee for three months.

☒ The Director is authorized to charge any additional
fees to Deposit Account No. 18-0582.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment
of any additional extension fees associated with this
communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.
18-0582. A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 5, 2004


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